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This is a request for a continuation or divisional application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d), (continued prosecution application (CPA)) of prior application number 09/341,379, filed on July 9, 1999, entitled CONTROL SYSTEM FOR A HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCE.
FILING QUALIFICATIONS: The Prior application identified above must be a nonprovisional application that is either (1) complete as defined by C.F.R. §1.51(b), or (2) the national stage of an international application in compliance with 35 U.S.C. 371. A Notice will be placed on a patent issuing from a CPA, except for reissues and designs, to the effect that the patent issued on a CPA and is subject to the twenty-year patent term provision of 35 U.S.C. § 154 (a)(2). Therefore, the prior application of a CPA may have been filed before, on or after June 8, 1995.
C-I-P NOT PERMITTED: A continuation-in-part application cannot be filed as a CPA under 37 C.F.R § 1.53(d), but must be filed under 37 C.F.R.§ 1.53 (b).
EXPRESS ABANDONMENT OF PRIOR APPLICATION : The filing of this CPA is a request to expressly abandon the prior application as of the filing data of the request for a CPA. 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) must be used to file a continuation, divisional, or continuation -in -part of an application that is not to be abandoned.
ACCESS TO PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA will be construed to include a waiver of confidentiality by the applicant under 35 U.S.C. 122 to the extent that any member of the public who is entitled under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.14 to access to, copies of, or information concerning, the prior application may be given similar access to, copies of, or similar information concerning, the other application or applications in the file jacket.
35 U.S.C. 120 STATEMENT: In a CPA, no reference to the prior application is needed in the first sentence of the specification and none should be submitted. If a sentence referencing the prior application is submitted, it will not be entered. A request for a CPA is the specific reference required by 35 U.S.C. 120 and to every application assigned the application number identified in such request, 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a).
Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 in the prior nonprovisional application.
2. A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
3. This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d)4) a. DELETE the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:
b. The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.
4. A new power of attorney or authorization of agent (PTO/SB/81) is enclosed.
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Small entity status:
a. A small entity statement is enclosed, if (b) and (c) do not apply.
 A small entity statement was filed in the prior nonprovisional application and such status is still proper and desired.
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Please cancel claims 2-16 and 18-33 and add new claims 34-43 as set forth below:

- 34. A control system for a household appliance, the control system including:
 - A. a control panel that is located on the appliance for selecting and controlling a first set of pre-programmed appliance functions, the control panel including one or more knobs or buttons or both for making the selections of the functions from the first set of pre-programmed appliance functions;
 - B. a controller that communicates with the appliance for selecting and controlling a second set of pre-programmed appliance functions that cannot be selected or controlled from the control panel, the controller providing data signals that select functions from the second set of pre-programmed appliance functions; and

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